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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/046,172	Applicant(s) INAMI ET AL.	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Sam Rimell. (3) _____.

(2) Doug Hahm. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 27 October 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: _____.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

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Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record

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Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews

Paragraph (b)

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A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- 4) an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner,
- 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner,
(The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by the examiner.

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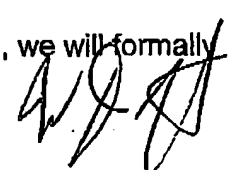
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Attached hereto is the draft Amendment you requested in your phone message of October 25, 2006. Please confirm by return facsimile (202-721-8250) or e-mail (wdhahm@wenderoth.com) that the claim amendments are satisfactory and place the application in condition for allowance. Upon receiving your confirmation, we will formally submit the response with the necessary extension of time. Thank You. 

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A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR RETRIEVING
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006, the period for response to which having been extended by two-months to October 31, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**DRAFT**

Claims 1-14 (Cancelled).

15. (Currently Amended) A communications terminal for communicating with a server via a network, said communications terminal comprising:

- a storage unit for storing an application;
- an application executing unit for executing the application so as to generate data;
- a generated data storage unit for storing the data generated due to execution of the application by the application executing unit;
- a retrieval requesting unit for making a retrieval request to the server to retrieve an instruction file, said instruction file including transmission information specifying data for specifying transmission data to be transmitted to the server;
- a transmission data generating unit for determining, from among the generated data stored in said generated data storage unit, the transmission data to be transmitted to the server based on said transmission information specifying data destination server specifying data in said instruction file which specifies a destination server of the transmission data; and
- a transmitting unit for transmitting the transmission data to the server.

16. (Previously Presented) The communications terminal of claim 15, wherein said retrieval requesting unit is operable to make the retrieval request before or after the application is activated.

17. (Previously Presented) The communications terminal of claim 15, wherein said application executing unit is operable to begin execution of the application upon receipt of said instruction file transmitted from the server in response to the retrieval request.

18. (Previously Presented) The communications terminal of claim 15, wherein said retrieval requesting unit is operable to make the retrieval request by using a web browser to specify said instruction file stored in the server.

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19. (Previously Presented) The communications terminal of claim 15, wherein said instruction file further includes transmission format specifying data for specifying a format to be used for transmitting the transmission data to the server, and said transmitting unit includes a transmission format determining unit for determining a transmission format of the transmission data based on said transmission format specifying data, said transmitting unit being operable to transmit the transmission data in the transmission format determined by said transmission format determining unit.

20. (Previously Presented) The communications terminal of claim 15, wherein said instruction file further includes destination server specifying data for specifying a destination server to which the transmission data is to be transmitted, said transmitting unit being operable to transmit the transmission data to the destination server specified by said destination server specifying data.

21. (Currently Amended) A data transmission program on a computer readable medium, said data transmission program to be used in a communications terminal operable to communicate with a server via a network, said data transmission program comprising:

storing an application;

executing the application so as to generate data;

storing the data generated due to execution of the application;

making a retrieval request to the server to retrieve an instruction file, said instruction file including transmission information specifying data for specifying transmission data to be transmitted to the server;

determining, from among the stored generated data generated by the application, the transmission data to be transmitted to the server based on said transmission information specifying data destination server specifying data in said instruction file which specifies a destination server of the transmission data; and

transmitting the transmission data to the server.

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22. (Previously Presented) The data transmission program of claim 21, wherein said making the retrieval request comprises making the retrieval request before or after the application is activated.

23. (Previously Presented) The data transmission program of claim 21, wherein said executing the application comprises beginning the execution of the application upon receipt of said instruction file transmitted from the server in response to the retrieval request.

24. (Previously Presented) The data transmission program of claim 21, wherein said making the retrieval request comprises using a web browser to specify said instruction file stored in the server.

25. (Previously Presented) The data transmission program of claim 21, wherein said instruction file further includes transmission format specifying data for specifying a format to be used for transmitting the transmission data to the server, and said transmitting further includes determining a transmission format of the transmission data based on said transmission format specifying data, and transmitting the transmission data in the transmission format.

26. (Previously Presented) The data transmission program of claim 21, wherein said instruction file further includes destination server specifying data for specifying a destination server to which the transmission data is to be transmitted, said transmitting further including transmitting the transmission data to the destination server specified by said destination server specifying data..

27. (Currently Amended) A communications system comprising:
a server including:
an instruction file storage unit for storing an instruction file; and
an instruction file transmitting unit for transmitting the instruction file in response to a retrieval request; and

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a communications terminal including:

- a storage unit for storing an application;
- an application executing unit for executing the application so as to generate data;
- a generated data storage unit for storing the data generated due to execution of the application by the application executing unit;
- a retrieval requesting unit for making the retrieval request to said server to retrieve said instruction file, said instruction file including transmission information specifying data for specifying transmission data to be transmitted to said server;
- a transmission data generating unit for determining, from among the generated data stored in said generated data storage unit, the transmission data to be transmitted to said server based on said transmission information specifying data destination server specifying data in said instruction file which specifies a destination server of the transmission data; and
- a transmitting unit for transmitting the transmission data to said server.

28. (Previously Presented) The communications system of claim 27, wherein said retrieval requesting unit is operable to make the retrieval request before or after the application is activated.

29. (Previously Presented) The communications system of claim 27, wherein said application executing unit is operable to begin execution of the application upon receipt of said instruction file transmitted from said server in response to the retrieval request.

30. (Previously Presented) The communications system of claim 27, wherein said retrieval requesting unit is operable to make the retrieval request by using a web browser to specify said instruction file stored in said server.

31. (Currently Amended) A data transmission method to be used in a network including a communications terminal operable to transmit data generated by executing an application and a

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server operable to communicate with the communications terminal via the network, said method comprising:

- storing an instruction file in the server;
- storing an application;
- executing the application so as to generate data;
- storing the data generated due to execution of that application;
- making a retrieval request to the server to retrieve the stored instruction file, the instruction file including transmission information specifying data for specifying transmission data to be transmitted to the server;
- transmitting the previously-stored instruction file from the server to the communications terminal that made the retrieval request in response to the retrieval request;
- determining, from among the stored generated data generated by the application, the transmission data to be transmitted to the server based on the transmission information specifying data destination server specifying data in said instruction file which specifies a destination server of the transmission data; and
- transmitting the transmission data to the server.

32. (Previously Presented) The data transmission method of claim 31, wherein said making the retrieval request comprises making the retrieval request before or after the application is activated.

33. (Previously Presented) The data transmission method of claim 31, wherein said executing the application comprises beginning the execution of the application upon receipt of the instruction file transmitted from the server in response to the retrieval request.

34. (Previously Presented) The data transmission method of claim 31, wherein said making the retrieval request comprises using a web browser to specify the instruction file stored in the server.

DRAFT**REMARKS**

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the rejections contained in the final Office Action of May 31, 2006 is respectfully requested.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected pending claims 15-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Following submission of a Request for Reconsideration on August 31, 2006, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action dated October 2, 2006, in which the previous rejections were maintained. Subsequently, the Applicants' representative discussed the rejections with the Examiner by telephone on October 12, 2006 and October 20, 2006. During the telephone conversation of October 20, 2006, the Examiner proposed amendments to independent claims 15, 21, 27, and 31 that would overcome the Examiner's § 112 rejections and place the application in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, independent claims 15, 21, 27, and 31 have now been amended, and the claim amendments are identical to the claim amendments proposed by the Examiner during the telephone interview of October 20, 2006. As a result, it is the Applicants' understanding that these claim amendments now place claims 15-34 in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner should have any comments or suggestions to help speed the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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